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SUBJ: PROJECTED VISIT OF JDA DIRGEN YAMANAKA TO US

1. FOLLOWING IS INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF UNSOURCED PAGE TWO YOMIURI SHIMBUN ARTICLE WHICH APPEARED JANUARY 4, 1974. QUOTE: DIRECTOR GENERAL YAMANAKA MAY VISIT USA THIS SPRING. WILL DISCUSS POST-FOURTH DEFENSE PLAN ASIA WITH SECRETARY KISSINGER. PREPARATIONS ARE UNDERWAY FOR SDF DIRECTOR GEN. YAMANAKA TO VISIT THE USA EVEN AS EARLY AS THIS SPRING TO HOLD DISCUSSIONS WITH SECRETARY KISSINGER, DEFENSE SECRETARY SCHLESINGER, AND OTHER PENTAGON OFFICIALS. IT WILL BE THE FIRST VISIT BY AN SDF SECRETARY GENERAL SINCE THE THEN SECRETARY GENERAL NAKASONE'S VISIT IN SEPTEMBER 1970. HE WILL NOT ONLY DISCUSS THE US-JAPAN SECURITY STRUCTURE, JAPAN'S DEFENSE SETUP AND OTHER SECURITY-ORIENTED POLICY MATTERS, BUT WILL ALSO SOUND OUT THE THINKING OF US OFFICIALS ON THE FUNDAMENTALS OF AMERICA'S FAR EAST STRATEGY, ESPECIALLY SINCE THE SDF MUST BEGIN TO FORMULATE ITS 5TH DEFENSE PROGRAM PLAN WITHIN THIS YEAR OR EARLY NEXT YEAR. TALKS WILL ALSO DWELL ON ISSUES OF DEEP INTEREST TO JAPAN SUCH AS THE LONG-RANGE FORECASTS REGARDING US MILITARY BASES IN JAPAN, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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INCLUDING OKINAWA; FORECASTS RELATED TO US MILITARY FORCES

IN THE EVENT PEACE IS REALIZED ON A MORE STABLIZED
FOOTING IN THE FAR EAST; AND ON HOW A SECURITY FRAMEWORK
MAY BE ESTABLISHED IN THE FAR EAST REGION. UNQUOTE.

2. COUNSELLOR JDA TACHIBANA TOLD POL/COUNS JANUARY 4 HE
KNEW OF NO SPECIFIC YAMANAKA TRAVEL PLANS IN NEAR FUTURE.
HE CONFIRMED, HOWEVER, THAT YAMANKAKA HAS BEEN TALKING PRI-
VATELY OF DESIRE TO VISIT WASHINGTON. HE ASSUMED THAT
YAMANAKA THINKING IN TERMS OF VISIT AFTER DIET SESSION
SCHEDULED TO OPEN JANUARY 21, WHICH PRESUMABLY WOULD MEAN
LATE MAY-JUNE TIMEFRAME FOR VISIT. FOLLOWING OPENING FOR
BUSINESS OF JDA NEXT WEEK, EMBASSY WILL ATTEMPT VERIFY
ARTICLE. DECONTROL JANUARY 1975.
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